

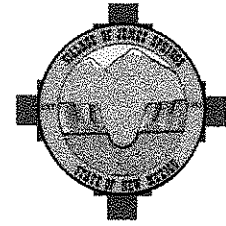
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Minutes for the Regularly Scheduled Council Meeting
January 18, 2017 6:00 p.m. in the Village Council Room

1. Call to Order

At approximately 6:45 p.m. the meeting was called to order. Present at the meeting were Mayor Wilson, Mayor Pro Tem Grider, Trustees Sweet, Sanchez, and Ryan, Clerk/Treasurer Yvonne Dickey, Acting Police Chief Felix Nunez, Fire Chief Peter Dwyer, Paul Rael, Mike Farber, Larry Waisner, and Don Conger.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Wilson led the Pledge of Allegiance

3. Approval of Agenda

Trustee Ryan moved that the agenda be approved. Trustee Sweet seconded and the agenda was approved with no opposition.

4. Approval of Minutes from December 21st Council Meeting

Trustee Sweet moved that the minutes be approved. Mayor Pro Tem Grider seconded. The minutes were approved unanimously.

5. Reports Submitted/Not Submitted

Mayor Wilson gave everyone a few minutes to look over the reports submitted, and then asked if there were any questions.

a. Maintenance-Submitted

b. Bath House-Submitted

Trustee Ryan asked whether the bath house was doing alright financially. Mayor Wilson said yes, then further explained that the bath house is now paying an administrative fee to the General Fund, and that this expense was planned for. There was a small loss in December, mainly due to seasonality of business in the Village, but the bath house is on track to meet budget overall.

c. Library-Submitted

d. Court-Submitted

e. Wastewater-Submitted

Trustee sweet noted the slight elevation in Phosphorous and asked where it comes from and how bad it is. Mayor Wilson explained that phosphorous comes from detergents and other things people add to the water. It is not disastrous that we are temporarily out of compliance.

f. Police Chief-Submitted

Trustee Ryan commended the use of the message boards from the DOT and asked whether there was a cost to the Village for them. Acting Chief Nunez said there was no cost. Ryan then asked if it would be possible to use the signs again and Nunez said we could.

g. Planning & Zoning Committee-Submitted

h. Fire Department-Submitted

Trustee Ryan asked whether the addition on the fire station was completed as planned. Fire Chief Pete Dwyer explained that the addition did turn out just as planned and although it looks small it will accommodate the new brush truck just fine. The brush truck is almost completed, Ms. Dickey has been working with Vince Lithgow on the loan for the truck, and it will arrive in early February. Select VFD personnel will receive training on using the brush truck. The generator is up and working, providing uninterrupted power to the fire station even during emergencies. Dwyer explained that having such an emergency operation center can qualify the Village for additional funding.

i. Lodgers' Tax Board-Submitted

6. Appoint Chief of Police

Felix Nunez has been the Acting Chief since Harry Betz left in early December. The Mayor and the Village Council would like to offer him the permanent position as Chief of Police. Nunez accepted. Trustee Sanchez made a motion to appoint Felix Nunez Chief of Police. Trustee Ryan seconded and Nunez was appointed unanimously. Ms. Dickey administered the Oath of Office to Nunez. He explained that Betz has been helping with the transition and all our officers are certified.

7. Village Clerk's Report

Clerk/Treasurer Dickey explained that the major revenue sources in December were GRT and Property Taxes. Revenues will be slow until the spring. Some money was transferred in early January from SECU to reimburse the general fund for expenditures on the addition at the fire department. This transfer also covered the HVAC repairs at the library, although the Village will eventually be reimbursed through the library grant. Spending is being watched carefully because finances are tight right now. However, going into spring the outlook is not so bleak. As far as budget, all departments seem to be right where they should be with half the fiscal year elapsed, and in April the Village will receive "small cities assistance" funding. Trustee Sweet instructed Ms. Dickey to research a few property tax and gross receipts tax matters. She will follow up directly with him.

8. Ordinance 199-Recreational Vehicles

Mayor Pro Tem Grider recommended that any action on Ordinance 199 be postponed until the P & Z Committee can refine the Ordinance. Trustee Ryan expressed agreement, wishing to wait until more thought can be put into the wording so that a resulting ordinance is fair and works going into the future. Trustee Sweet noted that residents who came to the meeting did bring up concerns that the council needs to consider. Mayor Wilson reiterated the process of approving any ordinance.

Mayor Pro Tem Grider moved to postpone any action on Ordinance 199 until it is reworked. Trustee Sweet seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

9. Mano Sanchez-Legion/Farber/Waisner Event at Leyba Land

Mr. Waisner has been working on planning an all day concert event to support homeless veterans. He would like permission to have the event on the Leyba Land in May. He explained that any proceeds would be given to veterans in need. Waisner explained that he has gotten support from legislators who are willing to sponsor the event, and has gotten commitments from notable entertainers. Trustee Sanchez, Mr. Farber, Mr. Waisner, and Mr. Conger have been working with Chief Nunez to develop a traffic control plan, and want to invite food purveyors and other vendors from within the community so local businesses benefit. The event may attract as many as 1,500-2,000 visitors, but part of the plan is to schedule the entertainers that appeal to

several different tastes throughout the day. For example, country music for 2 hours, classic rock for 2 hours, etc. so that visitors come in a steady stream throughout the whole day, rather than a flood all at once. Mr. Waisner explained that the event, if allowed, would begin around 10:00 a.m. and last until no later than 9:00 p.m. In planning the event, the team wants to be sensitive to the concerns of the community and would be amenable to ideas like putting up a sound barrier so as to not disturb residents on Mooney. If the event is successful, the team would like to have this event become an annual benefit for veterans.

Trustee Ryan explained that the group must follow the regular procedure and apply for a permit for the event. He encouraged the group to continue in their collaboration with Chief Nunez on a strong plan for traffic and crowd control, and suggested they work with local entities to secure parking and sanitation (port-a-potties). Finally, Ryan asked the group to be very forthcoming to the council especially with regard to alcohol being served at the event.

Mayor Wilson said he would check with the Village's insurance provider to be sure the Village would be covered for the special event.

Trustee Ryan moved that the Village commit the use of the Leyba Land for this special event. Trustee Sweet seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved.

10. Mayor's Report

Mayor Wilson reported that the audit was submitted to the State Auditor's Office today. Preliminary results are that the Village got an "unmodified opinion" which means no findings rose to the level of significant deficiencies. Staff from the auditing firm will come to the next council meeting to explain.

He also encouraged the trustees to attend the Forest Service Wilderness Evaluation meeting on January 26th if at all possible. We need to be better educated so that the council can come to a final decision regarding any Resolution about the potential wilderness areas.

The Mayor also informed the Council that the Bath House would be closed from January 23-26 for annual maintenance.

At the State Level, no changes have been made to Lodgers' Tax yet. There was a misunderstanding on this, and it turns out that at this point there is no need to alter the Ordinance.

Mayor Wilson explained that Chief Nunez has sent Standard Operating Procedures (SOP's) to the dropbox for trustees to review and is working on a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Sandoval County for animal control. As these efforts come to conclusion, Nunez will keep the council informed.

Meanwhile, Greg Shores is working on adding file-sharing capabilities to the .gov website as a more secure alternative to dropbox.

a. Mayor Pro-Tem Grider

Mayor Pro Tem Grider had nothing to report

b. Trustee Sweet

Trustee Sweet said that he is still waiting on an answer about whether the Village still has the funding form Arts in Public Places.

c. Trustee Sanchez

Trustee Sanchez had nothing to report.

d. Trustee Ryan

Trustee Ryan asked who is responsible for the bridges on Mooney. His concern is that there are hammocks hanging under the north Mooney bridge, and these may pose a liability to the Village. Mayor Wilson said he would follow up with Chief Nunez.

11. Adjournment

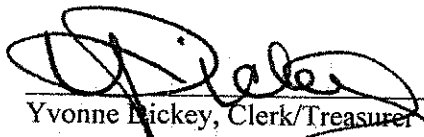
At 8:00 p.m. Trustee Ryan moved that the meeting be adjourned. Trustee Sanchez seconded. The meeting was unanimously adjourned.

Approved at the February 15, 2017 Council Meeting:



R. M. Wilson, Mayor

Attest:



Yvonne Bickey, Clerk/Treasurer